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Tales of Well Known Folk In Social and Official Life

Miss Mary Wallace Aids Her Father, the Secretary of Agriculture, in Crusade to Establish Bird Havens Along Golf Courses.

That commendable crusade of the Agricultural Department to establish bird sanctuaries along golf courses appeals to all the thoughtful, provided some trees or thickets are included also in these refuges, as well as water and provender. Such are not accessible on the golf course on the Mall, and thickets dear to the cardinal and the mellow-throated thrush are entirely absent from the course at the various suburban

clubs. Such bold and sociable warblers as robins, martins, blue jays and sparrows, flickers and catbirds will build in the trees, no matter how dense the population under them, but the best songsters will not do so, and this includes the meadow lark, the bluebird, the song sparrow and the purple martin. If the refuges which Mr. Wallace urges are provided with hedges like those which encircle every preserve in England, this idea of the Agricultural Department will bear the best of fruit for defending the song birds from cats, dogs and bad boys, each variety of enemy as destructive as the other.

Miss Mary Wallace, who takes a keen interest in such matters, has been enthusiastic over this latest activity in defending the songsters and is making a point of looking over inclosed club courses with the idea of suggestions for the proper sort of environment is not in evidence for attracting nests as well as luring inhabitants for the bird houses which are to be abundantly supplied. The water hazard already attracts many birds out at Chevy Chase, but they are visitors with homes in the deep woods beyond golf course.

Lady Astor is faring nicely at the hands of her constituents in Plymouth and her friends on this side believe she will represent this venerable town in the house of commons as she desires the honor. Another American member of parliament, only naturalized some ten years ago, and for the express purpose of standing for parliament for Briton, is Mr. Joel Herbert Seavins of Boston, Junior partner in the London firm of Henry W. Peabody & Company of London. Mr. Seavins was sent to London five years prior to the great war and bought a fine estate in Brixton, and then becoming profoundly interested in righting certain affairs among his neighbors, became a subject of his Britannic majesty and was elected by the Brixton constituency. This no one entered the lists against him.

Mrs. Seavins was Miss Helen Brown, daughter of the international banker, H. S. Brown, formerly of Portland, Me., and she is among the influential American hostesses of London, one of the vice presidents of the American Women's Club and a director of the Luncheon Club for Strangers. Mr. Seavins and his wife are frequent visitors to their old home in Boston and keep up many of their activities there. Their home in Brixton is one of the most extensive in that region and wonderfully well kept. They are among the frequent entertainers during the boating season and when the races are on.

Two of the loveliest young princesses in Europe are the Infantes Beatriz and Maria Christina, daughters of the King of Spain and his English queen, who is the granddaughter of Queen Victoria and the first cousin of George V. The Queen of Spain invariably passes a few months in opening the summer season at Cowes, where her royal spouse enjoys the yachting and her group of children mingle with the utmost freedom with the little Britons who are there habitually during the summer. Princess Beatriz is the older of the two daughters of Alfonso and is just entering her fourteenth year. She is altogether Spanish in appearance, without a trace of her half-English origin. Her sister, who is eleven, is fair and blue-eyed and bears a striking resemblance to Princess Mary, with whom she is a prime favorite.

King George, for economy sake, last summer sold the royal residence at Cowes acquired by Queen Victoria, but the purchaser has proven to be the Viscount Lascelles, who made over the place to his bride, Princess Mary, in a particular manner devoted to Cowes, for here she learned to yacht and row and manage a canoe, well as to control a sailing vessel. The little Spanish princesses are quite near the Lascelles mansion and in care of a duenna, their



MRS. WILLIAM H. THOMAS, Formerly Miss Ellen Fitzgerald, whose wedding recently took place at the home of her parents, 1930 18th street.

parents being at present at San Sebastian, on the Mediterranean, where the Spanish court is established for the summer.

A garden fashion which is spreading like wildfire is that of adding an ornamental well-head to the most conspicuous spot which is surrounded by flowers. Mrs. Lars Anderson has used such an accessory in her rose plot for many seasons, a fluted, time-stained marble well which she purchased near Amalfi and had transported with great care and expense and set up in the garden at Weld, her estate in Brookline, with the tall wrought iron posts and huge iron-bound bucket accompanying it. She has trailing about the well a dull copper rose which blooms through the season amidst the most perfect foliage of deep shining bronze green. The rose is also from the glorious Amalfi terrace and has to be placed under glass during the long, harsh Massachusetts winter. Mrs. Anderson's handsome old setting really covers a well, one dug deep and kept with the most immaculate care, and is draught from this old bucket, which is not moss-covered, but scrubbed and in the most sanitary condition, is a treat indeed.

Some gardens in Southampton have this summer installed well-heads, some of the conventional type and very useful. Others are rather sensational, an Undine rising from the rim of the casing, like the one which Mrs. Charles Salton has placed against her tulip garden in Southampton. An old Greek well with sculptured figures of dancing nymphs is an ideal setting which appears in the break of the shrubbery on the North Shore estate of Mrs. Alex. Winfield, formerly the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Swift, who brought it from Rhodes and once used it their Boston home. The tall iron pillar which holds the pulley is covered with Dorothy Perkins roses.

Americans in London are given every opportunity to learn something of the eminent men from this republic who have represented their country at the court of St. James. Several of the clubs have a series of portraits of the most distinguished and their names may be read almost anywhere that such records are presented in clubdom. Mr. Harvey is presented to Americans as the seventh ambassador from the United States and the twenty-ninth from John Adams, who was the first duly accredited and accepted envoy from the enfranchised colonies to the mother country. Mr. Adams, who served in 1785, is also pointed out in a useful little volume on such themes to be read in the Luncheon Club, is the first of the five men who afterward were elected presidents of the United States who came as envoys to London. The others were James Monroe, in 1803, and the son of the first John Quincy Adams who proved such an able deputy in the stressful days after the war of 1812-14 and who served from 1815 until 1817. Martin Van Buren was minister to England in 1801 and he too



MISS MARTHA GEARING, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gearing, whose home is on Rock Creek Church and Kilgus roads.

had a man's task on his hands keeping diplomatic affairs in order during the upheaval attendant on some of Andrew Jackson's undiplomatic acts. James Buchanan was minister in 1853 and he and his charming niece, then a slip of a girl, and Miss Harriet Johnston, became great favorites with the young Queen Victoria.

Of course, all this information is obtainable in this country, but somehow it has never made the impression on Americans as it does when brought to their attention abroad. It likewise calls attention that though diplomats have been members of various clubs in Washington, no one of these organizations recalls their presence in any way except in the reminiscences of members. A series of such portraits would be immensely interesting and valuable here.

Much is heard of the Rhodes scholars in England and they are frequently feted as a whole and in the individual sense. But that more than three hundred young American women are studying in Oxford, Cambridge, the University of London and

In some art schools is news to nearly all. Oxford has about fifty-six, the majority studying philosophy and the higher courses in music. Some are in St. Hugh's Hall, others at Somerville, and a few, because access is difficult in that lovely old building of which the queen is honorary president, at Lady Margaret Hall. Cambridge has about twenty-five Americans preparing for degrees and nearly all letters and literature. The University of London has more than a hundred preparing for professional careers, and the others, scattered in different schools, are domiciled in London. Several of the American hostesses who maintain a permanent residence in London are trying to get these students into a concrete body and lighten their exile a little on the holidays especially. Many do not return to their homes during the long vacations, but get what pleasure they can boating and at the country clubs about seats of learning.

In those leisure days, which President and Mrs. Harding still think possible during the waning summer, one of their journeys will be to the waters of Long Island and to the

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